

Town Hall,
Bridgwater.

April, 1945.

To the Chairman and Members of the
Bridgwater Port Health Authority.

Mrs. Reed and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to submit my report for the year ending 31st December, 1944.

The health of the Port has been satisfactory throughout the year. Two cases of minor infectious disease were removed to the Isolation Hospital during the year; one man with rubella and the other with Vincent's angina.

Treatment for venereal diseases is obtainable at the County Council's Clinic in Bridgwater, and details of these arrangements and also the facilities available at all Bristol Channel ports are displayed in prominent positions throughout the area of the port.

The Sanitary Inspector's Report is appended, together with statistics of the shipping which owing to war conditions has been entirely coastwise.

G.H. PRINGLE,

Port Medical Officer.

TOWN HALL,

BRIDGWATER.

April, 1945.

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Bridgwater Port Health Authority.

Mrs. Reed and Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my report for the year ending
31st December, 1944.

The number of vessels using the port has decreased
as compared with 1943. The inspections carried out have
not revealed any serious defects. No rats were found on
any vessel. All defects have been remedied.

R.K. LEAN,

Port Sanitary Inspector.

I. AMOUNT OF SHIPPING ENTERING THE PORT DURING THE YEAR 1944.

TABLE A.

	No.	Tonnage	No. inspected by the Medical Officer of Health	No. reported to be defective	No. of vessels on which defects were found	No. of vessels reported as having had during the voyage infectious disease on board
Coastwise	Steamer	429	31,630	-	69	2
	Motor	192	17,094	-	37	1
	Sailing	-	-	-	-	-
	Fishing	-	-	-	-	-
		621	48,724	-	106	3
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NOTE:- Because of war-time conditions all shipping has
been coastwise.

II. CHARACTER OF TRADE OF PORT.

TABLE B.

(a) Passenger Traffic - There has been no passenger traffic during the year.

(b) Cargo Traffic - Principal Imports - coal, sand and flour.
Principal Exports - bricks, tiles, grain and metal scrap.

(c) Foreign Ports from which vessels arrive - Nil

III. WATER SUPPLY

Arrangements remain the same as reported in 1933.

IV. PORT SANITARY REGULATIONS, 1933.

Arrangements fully described in report for 1933.

TABLE C.

2 cases of infectious disease have been landed from vessels in 1944.

TABLE D.

No cases reported.

V. MEASURES AGAINST RODENTS.

No rats were found on any vessel.

VI. HYGIENE OF CREW'S SPACES.

TABLE J - Classification of Nuisances.

Nationality of vessel	No. inspected during 1944.	Defects of original construction	Structural defects through wear & tear	Dirt, vermin & other conditions prejudicial to health.
BRITISH	106	-	-	3
OTHER NATIONS		-	-	-

VII. FOOD INSPECTION.

- (1) No action under the Public Health (Imported Food) Regulations, 1925-33; as the small quantity of food-stuffs landed had been transhipped from another port, where inspection had been carried out.
- (2) There are no shell-fish beds or layings within the jurisdiction of the Port Health Authority.
- (3) No samples of food examined.
